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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 794  
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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Harlan Mullins, Putnam County farmer and community leader.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly, the residents of Putnam County, and a multitude of friends were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Harold Mullins, a successful farmer, conservationist and fierce patriot of Putnam County; and

WHEREAS, at the same time, a common man and a rare individual, Mr. Mullins was raised on a farm in Pickett County and moved to Putnam County in 1946; and

WHEREAS, having enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1943, he bravely served his country during World War II; and

WHEREAS, after service, Harlan, and his brother, Van, started farming in 1946. For fifty-four productive years the Mullins brothers operated their Dry Valley Road farms, expertly raising corn, hogs, dairy cattle, tobacco, beef cattle, grassland, and timber; and

WHEREAS, a leader by example of character, the farming community has looked to him for guidance for over half a century; he was elected to the important Putnam County Soil

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Conservation District Board of Supervisors in 1962 and became the board treasurer, a position he held until his death; and

WHEREAS, during his admirable 38-year tenure on that board, Mr. Mullins constantly and consistently promoted conservation of the soil, water, and related natural resources and the overall thoughtful use of land in Putnam County and Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mullins was also instrumental in helping start the Hull-York Lakeland Resource Conservation and Development Council for the Upper Cumberland counties; and

WHEREAS, in the finest traditions of the Volunteer State, he generously contributed his time and energy to several worthwhile civic endeavors, with distinguished service as a member of the Putnam Farmer's Co-op Board and the Putnam County Farm Bureau, and he worked at the polls during election years; and

WHEREAS, he served God faithfully as an active member of the First Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mullins enjoyed the loving companionship of his devoted wife, Charlene, and he was the proud father of their children; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we pause in our deliberations to honor the memory of Mr. Harlan Mullins; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor the memory of Mr. Harlan Mullins, a hardworking, productive, and honest farmer and family man, who will be sorely missed by everyone who was fortunate to know him.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Mullins.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

